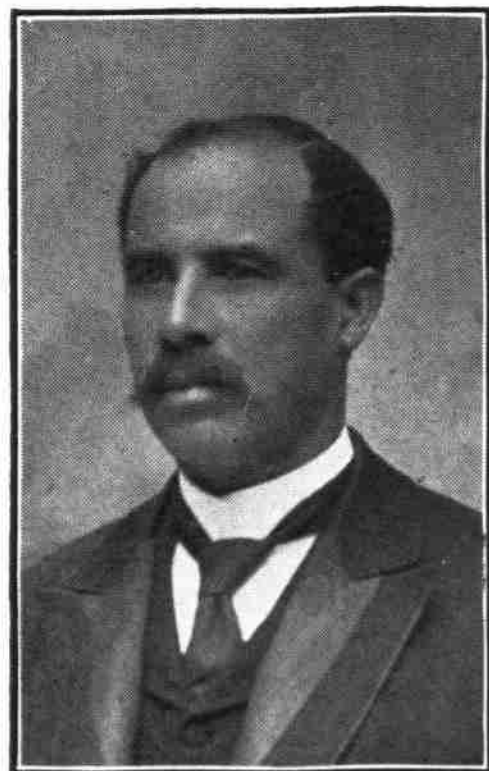


Rev. S. R. Hughes, A.M., D.D.

Baltimore, Md.

DR. HUGHES is district superintendent of the Stanton District, Washington Conference, of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

He was born in Carroll County, Maryland, March 24, 1853. His father was born a slave who purchased himself and his wife, and became a noted preacher of Maryland.



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The young man received his primary training in the public schools of Carroll County, and his academic training in Morgan College. He taught in the public schools of Maryland twelve years. For five years he was excursion agent of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, and for ten years was ticket and excursion agent of the Baltimore & Annapolis Short Line Railroad.

He entered Howard University, Washington, and took a special course in the college and theological departments, graduating in 1885. He entered the ministry in the Washington Conference, and has been pastor of churches in Baltimore, Washington, and vicinity, recording secretary, statistical secretary, treasurer, and examiner of the Conference.

In 1907 he was appointed by Bishop McDowell as presiding elder of the Stanton District, which covers a portion of Virginia and West Virginia. He has been continued in this position to the present time, although the title of the office was changed by the General Conference in 1908 to that of district superintendent.

Dr. Hughes has quite a remarkable family of children: The Rev. W. A. C. Hughes is pastor of the Sharp Street Church, Baltimore, one of the leading churches of the denomination; another son is Dr. S. B. Hughes, a leading physician and surgeon of Baltimore; a third son is pastor at Grottoes, Va.; a daughter is the wife of Rev. Dr. A. Howard, of New York; another daughter is in business, and two younger children are about to graduate from the high and academic course in school.

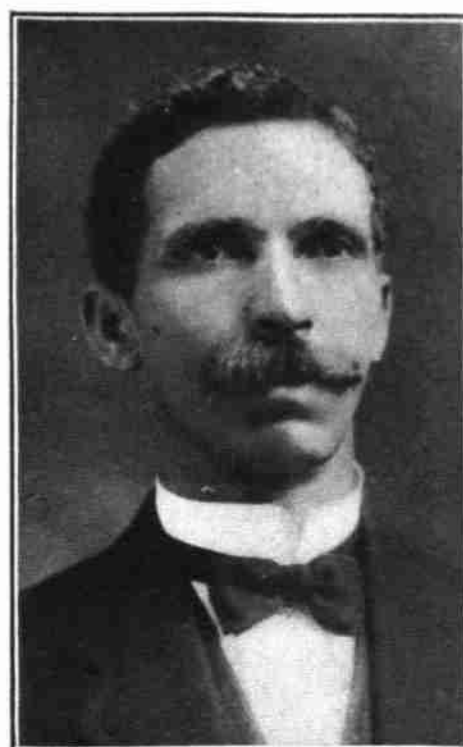
Howard University in 1892 conferred upon him the degree of "A. M.," and he received the degree of "D. D." from the same institution in 1902. Dr. Hughes was a member of the Clifton Conference.

Rev. H. L. McCrorey

Charlotte, N. C.

PRESIDENT, Biddle University. Was born in Fairfield County, March 2, 1863. He was reared on a farm, attending public school one month a year, until he was seventeen years of age. At this time he left the farm and entered Willard Richardson

Normal School, Winsboro, S. C., where he completed five years' work in three years. He taught in the public schools of South Carolina for three years.



Rev. H. L. McCrorey

In 1886 he entered the preparatory school of Biddle University, graduating from the collegiate department with honors, in 1892, as valedictorian of his class. He received the alumni gold medal in the junior prize oratorical contest. He graduated from the theological department of Biddle University in 1895, and then took advanced work in Hebrew at the University of

Chicago under President W. R. Harper. He spent two summers in Chicago studying the Semitic languages. After his graduation from the theological department of Biddle, he was appointed teacher in the preparatory school of the institution and served there four years, two as principal, and was appointed professor of Latin in the college department, and then to the chair of Hebrew and Greek exegesis, in the theological department, dean of the theological department, and in 1907 was elected president of the university, in which position he has continued the successful work begun in earlier years.

His alma mater has conferred upon him the degrees of A.B., S.T.B., A.M., D.D. President McCrorey was ordained to the ministry in the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America in 1895. Was twice elected moderator of the Catawba Presbytery, once moderator of the Catawba Synod, was a commissioner of the General Assembly at Kansas City, Mo., 1908, and delegate to the Pan-Presbyterian Council in New York, 1909.

Dr. McCrorey was an active member of the Clifton Conference. In an address he said, among other things, "The Negro is making more progress in Christian development than ever before. The real education that is needed is Christian education. This kind the world needs. It fills a man with love."